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[Low Power Television1

Page 12, after line 18, insert the following new subsection and redesignate the succeeding subsection accordingly:

"(d) PROTECTION OF QUALIFYING LOW-POWER STA-2 TIONS.—Prior to making any allocation or assignment 3 under this section the Commission shall assure that each 4 qualifying low-power television station is assigned a fre-5 quency below 746 megahertz to permit the continued oper-6 ation of such station.

Page 14, after line 8, insert the following new paragraph:

"(7) QUALIFYING LOK-POKER TELEVISION STA
8 TIONS.—For purposes of this subsection, a station is

9 a qualifying low-power television station if—

10 "(A) during the 90 days preceding the

11 date of enactment of the Balanced Act of

12 1997—

l	(1) such station broadcast a mini-
2	mum of 18 hours per day:
3	"(ii) such station broadcast an aver-
4	age of at least 3 hours per week of pro-
5	gramming that was produced within the
6	community of license of such station: and
7	"(iii) such station was in compliance
8	with the requirements applicable to low-
9	power television stations; or
10	"(B) the Commission determines that the
1	public interest, convenience, and necessity
12	would be sewed by treating the station as a
13	qualifying low-power television station for pur-
14	poses of this section.